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Applicant(s): Toshimichi Morikoshi, et al. Confirmation No.: 6831  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated February 11, 2009, the applicant(s) respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.